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# YOUTH POLICE ACADEMY

ONE WEEK, OVERNIGHT | JULY 7-12, 2019



APPLY BY APRIL 12, 2019

## Do you have what it takes to be a police officer in today's world?

The Howard County Police Youth Academy is a free, one-week overnight program held at the James N. Robey Public Safety Training Center in Marriottsville. The program is designed to help young people explore career and leadership opportunities, life skills, and character education.

Participants learn the many skills needed to be successful police officers in today's world through classroom instruction, role playing, and practical exercises.

Explore an exciting and challenging career in law enforcement. Participants learn how to conduct criminal investigations and receive hands-on experience by learning defensive tactics, processing a crime scene, conducting traffic stops, and using the firearms simulator.

### Students experience:

- Strict discipline, inspections, drills, ceremonies, and physical activities
- Realistic scenarios based on subjects learned
- Achievement tests
- Cook out for students and staff
- Entertainment, including confidence-building, courses, and field games
- Graduation ceremony (parents and family encouraged to attend)
- Certificates upon completion of academy

## Youth Police Academy Eligibility Requirements

Applicant must:

- be between 15-18 years old.
- have at least a 2.0 grade point average.
- provide a letter of recommendation from a faculty member at his or her school.
- write a one-page typed essay on why you want to participate in the YPA.
- have a complete physical examination prior to the start of the academy.
- pass a thorough background examination and have had no adverse police contact.

Although there is no residency requirement, preference is given to Howard County residents.

## Application Procedure

Applications may be obtained at Howard County public high schools by contacting the School Resource Officer or online at [HCPD.org](http://HCPD.org). Completed applications are due by April 12, 2019.

E-mail to: [PoliceYouth@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:PoliceYouth@howardcountymd.gov) (preferred)

Or mail to: Howard County Police Department Youth Services Section  
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